

Utah Silicon Valley Alliance Energy Task Group
Status Report
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- Participants: Lowell Alt, chair (Division of Public Utilities), Mike Glenn (Utah Energy Office), Annette Babisz (Silicon Valley Alliance)
- Discussions: Three task group meetings were held (along with other communications) covering the development of an objective and goals, action plans, energy-related needs of high tech businesses, the link between Envision Utah and the task group goals and the possible expansion of the task group participants.
- Objective: The task group will assess energy-related information needs of high tech businesses and work with existing organizations and programs to assure that there is online access to information about reliable, affordable, sustainable and clean energy in Utah.
- Goals:
- a. Publish information geared towards high tech businesses promoting Utah as a state that offers reliable, affordable, sustainable and clean energy.
 - b. Coordinate with existing organizations to assure that infrastructure planning for residential and commercial developments meet the current and future needs of technology.
 - c. Prepare, and make available electronically, useful resources for high tech businesses.
 - d. Find and promote "success stories" of local high tech companies who validate that the existing energy meets or exceeds their needs.
- Action Plans:
- a. *Enhance community-based energy planning* - The Utah Energy Office in conjunction with Envision Utah and the Silicon Valley Alliance Energy Task Group is preparing an "Energy Toolkit" for distribution to local governments, planners, developers, and community based groups. The toolkit will provide information and suggestions to insure that new community infrastructure enhances energy reliability, affordability, sustainability while contributing to a healthy environment. The first draft of the toolkit is expected in January 2002.
 - b. *Enhance energy information on Silicon Valley Alliance web site* - The Utah Energy Office is preparing information to be added to the website including comparative energy pricing, energy production information and projections, supply/demand balances, and information on Utah energy suppliers. Expected completion in first quarter 2002.
 - c. *Enhance energy information on Division of Public Utilities web site* - Rates and rules (Tariffs) of most regulated Utah energy public utilities are currently available online at www.publicutilities.utah.gov. Remaining tariffs expected to be added in first quarter 2002. Clickable online Utah map linking to all (regulated & unregulated) energy utilities expected by second quarter 2002.

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Objective:

The Energy Task Group will address energy use concerns as they relate to the business growth anticipated from the Alliance.

Goals:

- a. The task group will facilitate planning for infrastructure development, new commercial developments, residential communities, to encourage these and other facilities to conform to modern energy use guidelines and requirements.

Tasks:

- 1. Provide detailed guidelines to all municipal planners, commercial and residential developers, as well as expanding or relocating businesses to assure that there is broad understanding of the energy use requirements.
- b. The task group will assess energy-related information needs of high tech businesses and work with existing organizations and programs to assure that there is online access to information about reliable, affordable, sustainable and clean energy in Utah.

Tasks:

- 1. Publish information geared towards high tech businesses promoting Utah as a state that offers reliable, affordable, sustainable and clean energy.
- 2. Coordinate with existing organizations (i.e., utility companies, EnvisionUtah, etc.) to assure that infrastructure planning for residential and commercial developments meet the current and future needs of technology.
- 3. Prepare, and make available electronically, useful resources and FAQs for high tech businesses (i.e., EnvisionUtah energy toolkit, map of Utah which shows various suppliers and their rates, economic projections, etc.).
- 4. Find and promote "success stories" of local high tech companies who validate that the existing energy meets or exceeds their needs (including those who have worked with utility companies to resolve problematic issues).